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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>KNJ-229-A</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/JP2005/001490</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>02 February 2005</b>	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/589072</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>Garbage Disposal Apparatus</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>02/10/2004 and 03/31/2004</b>
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Okada et al.</b>		
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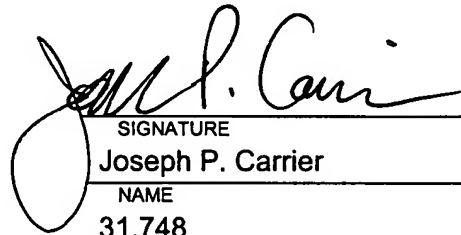
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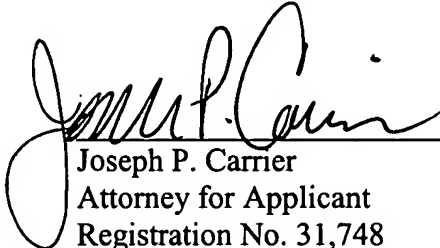
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